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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD
COMMITTEE ON DOCUMENTATION

MEMORANDUM FOR: USIB Committee on Documentation

SUBJECT: Community Capabilities for Handling Intelligence
Information

- REFERENCES:
- (a) Memo for the President from Chairman, President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board, 15 June 1965
 - (b) Memo from Mr. McGeorge Bundy to the DCI, 15 July 1965
 - (c) Memo from Director NSA to DCI, 26 July 1965
 - (d) Joint Memo for Mr. Bundy from Messrs. Hornig and Clifford, 11 August 1965

1. Reference (a) contains three recommendations which have been approved by the President. Reference (b) assigns action to the Director of Central Intelligence on the following two:

Recommendation No. 1: That selected personnel among the departments and agencies making up the U. S. intelligence community be provided specialized training and advanced studies at a university center or centers where systems thinking and systems skills are understood and imparted, and which at the same time possess adequate background in conventional bibliography and other more classical approaches to literature and information management.

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Recommendation No. 2: That the Technical Information Processing System (TIPS) project, now under way within the National Security Agency, be expanded to include participation by other member agencies of the intelligence community in an experimental operating system constituting a first step toward interagency (and inter-building) information handling. Since results should be sought from the experiment as promptly as feasible, the participation of other agencies should be achieved by September of 1965; the capability for extensive handling of the Russian biography problem should be available in the community-wide system by the summer of 1966; and by the summer of 1967 it should be possible to exchange outputs from various mechanized sources in the fashion pioneered by the TIPS project.

2. In reference (c), General Carter appointed [redacted] as the senior NSA representative to assist the DCI in carrying out the above recommendations, and further states that:

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Inasmuch as a pilot model of the Technical Information Processing System (TIPS) currently is operating at NSA, I suggest that you consider assembling representatives of the other member agencies at NSA for such briefings and studies as may be useful. In that manner, all the NSA experienced personnel can be made readily available for these purposes.

3. Prior to the receipt of General Carter's memo, CIA scheduled a briefing (held on 27 July) at which NSA personnel briefed CIA personnel on TIPS and RYE. It is noted that a number of CODIB members already have some familiarity with these projects. [redacted] will entertain any requests from CODIB members for additional briefings either at NSA or elsewhere.

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4. The DCI has been requested to report by October 1, 1965, to Mr. Bundy and to the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board on actions taken in implementing these recommendations.

5. Accordingly, CODIB members are requested to attend a meeting to be held at 1000 Thursday, 26 August, in Room 2E62, CIA Headquarters. You should come prepared to table a written statement of the actions which your Department or Service proposes be taken to accomplish the objectives of the PFIAB recommendations. In particular, please note:

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- a. Proposed plans for providing suitable training courses.
- b. Proposed computer links between NSA and existing information handling systems.
- c. Names of individuals who qualify as candidates for the staff of the guidance and evaluation Panel being formed under the Chairmanship of Mr. William T. Knox [pursuant to para. (2) of reference (d)].

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